

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2007-358-E - ORDER NO. 2007-878
DECEMBER 13, 2007

IN RE: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC)	ORDER GRANTING
for Approval of Energy Efficiency Plan)	ADMISSION PRO HAC
Including an Energy Efficiency Rider and)	VICE
Portfolio of Energy Efficiency Programs)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the Motion of Bonnie D. Shealy, Esquire, on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (Duke Energy Carolinas), for Admission of Lawrence Bowen Somers, Esquire, to practice before the Commission *pro hac vice*. Ms. Shealy petitions for Lawrence Bowen Somers to appear before the Commission as counsel for Duke Energy Carolinas in the present docket regarding the application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for approval of an energy efficiency plan, an energy efficiency rider, and a portfolio of energy efficiency programs.

Mr. Somers is a lawyer practicing for Duke Energy Corporation, located at 1526 South Church Street, Charlotte, North Carolina, and is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of North Carolina, according to Mr. Somers' application for admission *pro hac vice*. Additionally, Mr. Somers has included affirmation that he will comply with the applicable statutes, laws, and rules of the State of South Carolina, that he is familiar with and will comply with the South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct, and that he

will submit to the jurisdiction of the South Carolina courts and Commission on Lawyer Conduct.

Local counsel of record associated with Mr. Somers are Frank R. Ellerbe, III, and Bonnie D. Shealy of the law firm of Robinson, McFadden & Moore, P.C., 1901 Main Street, Suite 1200, Columbia, South Carolina.

It appears to this Commission that the proper *pro hac vice* application of Lawrence Bowen Somers has been filed with the South Carolina Supreme Court and that the necessary affirmation has been made. The Deputy Clerk for Bar Admissions has certified receipt of the filing and that the filing fee has been paid. We believe that Mr. Somers meets the qualifications for admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 2007-358-E *pro hac vice* and that he should be so admitted.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. Lawrence Bowen Somers, Esquire, is a member in good standing of the bar of the State of North Carolina and through Motion of local counsel, Bonnie D. Shealy has moved for *pro hac vice* admission to practice before the Commission in Docket No. 2007-358-E.

2. Proper application has been filed, the filing fee has been paid, and the necessary affirmation has been made, as required by SCACR 404.

3. Mr. Somers has associated South Carolina counsel.

4. The Motion for *pro hac vice* admission in this proceeding should be granted.

ORDER

The Motion of Bonnie D. Shealy, Esquire, for *pro hac vice* admission of Lawrence Bowen Somers, Esquire, to practice before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina in Docket No. 2007-358-E is granted.

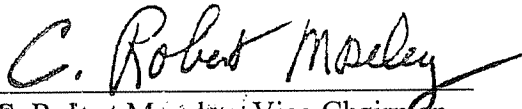
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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